



EMC News

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Chair's Report



The UNA Committee has continued to work hard over the summer with its municipal presentations about the revised inventory. I continue to receive positive feedback from elected officials and others about these efforts. We hope this project will receive state-wide recognition through the NYS Association of Environmental Management Councils' Annual Awards Program. Our EMC has submitted an application for an award for the UNA project in the "EMC and Agency Collaboration" category.

Submitted By Susan Brock

Coordinator's Report

Welcome back! Just a few things....

Erin Wilson, the EMC's intern, has returned and will be assisting me with a variety of things. She may be able to help you with EMC questions or projects. Her hours are Tuesday and Thursday, from noon to 4:30 p.m., and Friday, from 1:30 to 4:30. She can be reached at 274-5560 or by email, [emc_intern@??](mailto:emc_intern@?)

Recruitment for the EMC membership is about to begin. Every fall, we will recruit or reappoint EMC members and for some of you, this means re-appointment from your municipal board. I will prepare a list of members that will be affected and circulate it at the next EMC meeting. If you know you need to be re-appointed as a municipal representative, please ask your Board for a resolution (if you need an example resolution please contact myself or Erin).

Submitted by Mikel Shakarjian

UNA Municipal Presentations

Sept. 11, 2000 V. Trumansburg
Sept. 25, 2000 T. Lansing (tentative)

Unique Natural Areas Committee

UNA Committee members, Nancy Ostman, Bruce Johnson, Bob Beck and Lynn Leopold have been giving presentations to local municipalities on the UNA Inventory 2000 throughout the summer. Presentations have gone very well, for the most part. So far, the Towns of Ulysses, Groton, Newfield, Enfield, Danby, and Dryden have received their

copies of the UNA document and presentations, as well as the Villages of Freeville, Lansing, and Groton, and the City of Ithaca. Still to do are the Town of Ithaca (and Cayuga Heights), Village of Trumansburg, Town/Village of Lansing (joint meeting) and Town of Caroline. Most of these are scheduled to occur in September.

The UNA hotline has been receiving some phone calls, and the Planning Department has received some letters with questions about specific UNAs. Planning staff, UNA and Education committee members have been responding to the calls and letters.

Submitted by Lynn Leopold

County's Public Safety Communication System (Towers) Committee

The County sent out a Request for Qualifications for a consultant to help it explore communication system alternatives (including alternatives to the system that was the subject of an EMC presentation earlier this year). The County received seven responses and interviews of the top candidates will take place within a few days. The EMC is represented on the team that is interviewing the candidates.

Submitted by Susan Brock

Announcements

New Cornell RDS and CDS Websites

The Environmental Compliance Office at Cornell has established new web sites for Radiation and Chemical Disposal Sites. For the latest information regarding these sites please visit:
<<http://eco.pdc.cornell.edu/dsc>>.



No Reports Submitted

Environmental Review Committee Report

Executive Committee Report

Water Resources Committee Report

Unique Natural Areas Committee Report